

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: §
Timothy Charles Ramsey Prickett *et al.* §
Appl. No.: 10/561,119 § Confirmation No.: 1813
Filing Date: April 13, 2007 § Group Art Unit: 1641
For: ASSESSMENT OF SKELETAL § Examiner: GRUN, James L.
GROWTH USING MEASUREMENTS § Atty. Docket No.: 36697.17
OF NT-CNP PEPTIDES §

1. AMENDMENT; 2. RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 25, 2009

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

An amendment and a response to the Non-Final Official Action (hereinafter "the Action") dated November 25, 2009, for which the shortened statutory period for reply ended on February 25, 2010, are submitted herewith. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the amendment and consider the remarks herein.

A Petition for an Extension of Time of Two Months, to and including April 25, 2010, is also filed electronically herewith (with provision for the required fee) to render the present paper timely. Should any additional fees be required, please charge any such fees, or credit any overpayments, to Haynes and Boone, LLP's Deposit Account No. 08-1394, Order No. 36697.17.

Amendments to the Claims (Listing of Claims) begin on page 2 of this paper.

The Response/Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.